

Commission on Animal Care & Control
Minutes of July 19, 2018 Commission Meeting
Approved at the September 20, 2018 meeting

Commissioners Attending (6 of 9)

Cynthia Bathurst, Chair, private citizen (Safe Humane Chicago)
Monique Moore-Hoffman, private citizen (CACC Volunteer)
Charleen Propsom, private citizen (Friends of Chicago Animal Care and Control)
George Devereux, Chicago Police Department Member
Janna Kerins, Chicago Health Department Member
Becky Carroll, private citizen

Commissioners Absent (3 of 9)

Josie Cruz, Chicago Department of Streets & Sanitation Member
Robyn Barbiers, DVM, IL licensed veterinarian (The Anti-Cruelty Society)
Paula Fasseas, humane society representative (PAWS Chicago)

Also Attending

Kelley Gandurski, Acting Executive Director / Deputy Director, CACC
Sue Cappello, Administrative Services Officer II, CACC
Arthur Hamilton, Shelter Manager, CACC
Mamadou Diakhate, Operations Manager, CACC
Members of the public

Agenda Item #1: Determination of Quorum and Call to Order

C. Bathurst called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. in the Auditorium of the Animal Care & Control Facility at 2741 S. Western Avenue, Chicago. It was determined that there was a Quorum and the agenda was reviewed.

Agenda Item #2: Minutes of Previous Meetings

Minutes from May 2018 regular meeting were reviewed and approved.

Agenda Item #3: Report of Chairperson

- C. Bathurst reminded the members that the Commission is an advisory board to the Mayor's Office and the Executive Director of Chicago Animal Care & Control.
- C. Bathurst reported that Kelley Gandurski has been appointed as the Acting Executive Director of CACC and the Mayor's Office continues to support the plan for continual improvement previously created.
- C. Bathurst reported on the Safe Humane, CACC, CPD Collaboration.

Agenda Item #4: Report of Executive Director

- Acting Executive Director K. Gandurski thanked everyone for coming and she is proud to serve CACC. K. Gandurski reported on upcoming events including vaccine clinics, workshops, RTO in the field, volunteer program changes with Safe Humane and Friends of Chicago Animal Care & Control, PAWS spay/neuter assistance, the Tails of Redemption Program, upcoming construction, push for fosters and scheduled visits to the Ward offices.
- M. Diakhate reported on field statistics.
- A. Hamilton reported on shelter statistics.
- S. Cappello provided a hiring report.

Agenda Item #5: City Agency Reports

- Public Health report – J. Kerins reported on West Nile Virus spraying and a recent news report regarding Brucellosis.
- Chicago Police Department – G. Devereux reported on dog fighting & abuse/neglect reports in the City.
- Streets and Sanitation Report – no report.

Agenda Item #6: Commissioner Reports

- C. Propsom – reported on FCACC programs including their foster program and Big Night to be held on October 25, 2018.
- B. Carroll – reported that she can help with Press Releases for Big Night.
- M. Moore-Hoffman – reported on CACC volunteer issues/suggestions.

Agenda Item #7: Other Business

- C. Bathurst proposed a resolution to stand behind the CACC Plan for Continual Improvement and saving all healthy and treatable animals. G. Deveraux abstained from the vote, all other members agreed.

Agenda Item #8: New Business

- Next two meetings will be held at 8:30 a.m. on September 20, 2018 and November 15, 2018.

Agenda Item #9: Public Comments and Announcements

C. Bathurst reminded the public that they will have 2 minutes each to speak and reminded them to introduce themselves at the beginning of their comment.

- A. Shibicky – applaud Monique Moore-Hoffman for her mentorship of the volunteers. Where do all the volunteers go? When can we adopt dogs out of pavilion B?
- **J. Romano – conditions of the pavilions are filthy with mouse droppings.**
- **G. Gibson – Cynthia? Can you elaborate any more on why Susan Russell was fired? Have more ideas about volunteers.**
- **S. Taney – provided a statement on CACC's stray return to owner numbers. Hopes the new Director will fix the broken system at CACC.**
- **C. Bathurst read a statement provided to her from Susan Russell.**
- **B. Chadwick – is the City prepared to provide resources to CACC?**
- **J. Rubio – This is a huge City. Cant CACC expand another building to the south and one to the north? No more euthanasia for space.**
- **T. Wallace – What is the new 311 system called?**
- **Elena – of the 14,000 calls for service, how many were multiple calls for the same animal incident?**
- **M. Shibicky – the last upgrade took the City years to complete. It was ineffective and inefficient and never enough money or enough staff.**

Agenda Item #10: Adjournment

Next meeting scheduled for September 20, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. A motion to adjourn the Commission meeting was unanimously approved at 7:49 p.m.